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In re application of: Junichi MINAMINO et al.

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For: RECORDING APPARATUS AND RECORDING METHOD FOR  
RECORDING DATA TO A REWRITABLE RECORDING MEDIUM, AND A  
REWRITABLE RECORDING MEDIUM (As Amended)

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**RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION DATED AUGUST 15, 2006**

Sir:

Favorable reconsideration of the above-identified application is respectfully  
requested in view of the following amendments and comments.